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Sir:

In order to perfect the claim of priority set forth in the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney filed on October 15, 2001, a certified copy of the priority document, German Patent Application No. 100 51 591.6, filed October 18, 2000, is submitted herewith.

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